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THEY'LL SOON BE BACK HERE.

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Carpenter Coming to America If He Beats Klaus in Their Re- turn Match.

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FRANK KLAUS, who whipped Billy Papke recently in France, has been matched to fight Carpenter in April "for the championship of the world."

Klaus defeated Carpenter several months ago, the Frenchman's manager jumping into the ring in the eighteenth round and dragging Carpenter to his corner "to save him." Carpenter of that occasion seemed very much peeved over being "saved." He said all the hard things in the French language to his manager, and even suggested that there must be "something doing." The French critic thought that Carpenter had the best of the bout, with the exception of two or three rounds, up to the finish.

Klaus says he beat the Frenchman by digging in a few unobtrusive body punches. He admits that Carpenter worried him.

However that may be, the next Klaus-Carpenter fight will probably draw a record gate, for France. Carpenter is the most popular boxer ever seen in Paris. He is a Parisian, of course, and he has done some very clever boxing, although barely nineteen years old. Every time he wins a fight the papers print pages of cartoons. Whenever he loses he does the same, and all France is draped in black.

If he beats Klaus the French champion will come to America. He should have a chat with Tommy Wells first.

THE middleweight middle is as much clearer as usual. Klaus and Carpenter claim the title in France, two or three others in England, including Harry Wells of Philadelphia, who has just become champion of the world "through knockout" of Jack Harrison, champion of England. In England, the English authorities count only championships won in England—and in private training bouts in gymnasiums. The National Sporting Club of London recently presented to Freddy Welsh—most solemnly—a "world's" title and offered to defend the title "for any interesting purpose. McGuffey is probably as good as any of these—and perhaps a little better than the rest.

Still there is no real champion—and probably there will be none for some time to come.

FUNNY, with more boxing than has ever been seen before in the United States, Australia, France and England, there are very few champions whose right the titles they claim is beyond criticism.

Coulton claims the bantamweight championship by virtue of having voluntarily annexed it years ago, and successfully defended it ever since. Ledoux of France claims it because he knocked out Digger Stanley of England, who had beaten Jim Bowker, who knocked out Frankie Neil, who had taken the title from Harry Forbes.

Kilbane is featherweight champion. He won the title in fair fight from Attell.

Ritchie's claim to the lightweight championship is undisputed. He beat Attell to whom the title had come in clear line of descent from Lavigne through Ernie, Gans and Nelson.

There is no water, middle, light heavy or heavyweight champion. The requirement of Jack Johnson, voluntary or involuntary, has left the big throne vacant. The claimants will have a lot of fighting to do before any one has a right to recognition by the public.

LUTHER MCCARTY sat at the ring side the other night waiting.

Along came a boy selling copies of a morning paper. McCarty took one and thoughtfully fished a quarter from his pocket.

"Say, kid," he said, "you oughtn't to make me pay for this paper. Don't you know who I am?"

That reminds one so much of John L. Sullivan in his prime.

THAT "come back" stuff of Jeff's is all a bluff, or it may be on the level. Jim Buckley says he saw a great deal of Jeff's while in Los Angeles recently. Says Jeff hasn't allowed any fat to accumulate since the Reno affair, but has been keeping fit. He looks good enough to fight anybody, says Buckley.

Yes, but only once in the ring in nearly nine years—that's the rub!

HOCKEY CLUB CHAMPIONS.

The Hockey Club seven last night won the Amateur Hockey League championship by defeating the representatives of the Irish-American A. C. in the playoff game of the two twenty-five minute periods at the St. Nicholas rink by a score of 2 goals to 0. The Winged Wheel team put up a hard fight against the new title holders, and it was not until the second period that the Green team secured the victory.

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CHANCE DECIDES ON HIS TEAM; GIVES REASONS FOR LINE-UP

Highlander's New Manager Explains How He Has Sacrificed Speed of Fast Youngsters for Experience of Veterans, in Order to Get Foundation on Which to Build Winning Machine.

BY BOZEMAN BULGER.

Second article on Frank Chance and the Highlanders now in training at Hamilton, Bermuda. How the new manager has decided on his lineup for the coming season, his probable pitching staff and his reasons for the various selections.

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AFTER a deliberation of two weeks Frank Chance has decided upon his first lineup for 1913. He declares, however, that he may make one or two changes after two weeks of the coaching on inside play that began to-day. These possible shifts will be of comparatively little importance, as the backbone of the club is fixed for the season. The strength has been massed as follows:

Daniels, right field.
Wolter, centre field.
Chance, second base.
Cree, left field.

The regular pitching staff will probably consist of Ford, Warhop, Fisher, Caldwell and McConnell. To back these are Dave, Keating, Green and maybe Schulte will be retained. There is an excellent chance for one of these appearing as a regular.

Chance makes no secret of his reasons for making these selections. They are simple and logical. After looking over the printed list as given above he made a slight amendment by suggesting that the fan should not be too certain of Daniels at short. There is still a chance of his playing "Pop" Young, the Tri-State phenom, in that position.

"As a matter of fact," explained Chance, "I think Young is a better batter than Daniels and he is just as good a fielder and, perhaps, faster on the bases. Daniels, having been in the big leagues with the Athletics, has more experience. That is why I will give him the first chance. It would be a little risky to put a young fellow like Young on so responsible a position as short. Toward the end of the summer he may prove to be a star, but I think it better to proceed cautiously. He has the natural ability."

"POP" YOUNG MAY BREAK IN LATER.

"There is still a chance of Young getting in the first game, though," said the Highlander manager, as we stood near the coaching line Saturday and watched the young fellows laboring there at it. "For I don't mind telling you that I am worried about Chase. He has done a lot of work at second, and if he doesn't get in there and start pretty soon I will have to use Young at short and Derrick at second."

Chance's ankle is still in bad shape as a result of his sprain and his subsequent ride on a bicycle that resulted in a crash accident. To write in detail just how Dr. Barrett, the trainer, feels about Chase getting on a bicycle again is only under the treatment would require another paper. His explanations of feeling are a little too fiery for ordinary print. But for that bicycle ride he thinks Hal would have been playing now.

To be prepared in case of Chase's failure to get in shape for the opening game Chance used Derrick and Young in the first drill on the field, alternating them at second and short.

Before explaining his regular lineup man for man, Chance candidly admitted that the outside question still had him guessing. The infield is an easier proposition.

"While I have decided to use Livett on the bench for a pinch hitter, he explained, 'I don't know but what I should have kept him in the outfield and got the benefit of his wallpops even if he is slower than Daniels, Wolter and Cree. It was a question between him and Wolter, but I must have a fast man got on a slow runner in second place would be a constant danger of getting doubled up on a slash to the infield. No team can do very well without two fast men to lead off."

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FRANK CHANCE - HIS HAND.

baseball. During that period all a first sacker had to do was to be able to hit the ball and be big enough for a target at first. He didn't have to cover any ground and his duties consisted merely in standing on the bag and catching the ball. Modern major league baseball is no place for Barry. He came too late. He can wallop the ball and can dig up low throws as well as anybody provided they come in the limited zone that he covers, but that lets him out. It is unfortunate that Barry is so slow, for he has a lot of fighting spirit and good humor and is very popular with the other players.

Realizing that Barry will probably have to be sent back to the minors, Chance is drilling Sterrett, the Princeton catcher, for the first base job. In case anything happens to the manager he must have a good substitute now that Chase has been turned into a second baseman.

In the line-up, as decided on by Chance, the Highlanders should be a heavy hitting club. Daniels, Wolter, Chase, Cree, Chance and Hartzell are all close to the 300 mark and some of them are considerably over. The only thing lacking with the present matter is speed, but considerable of that will come with two more weeks of hard training.

Chance would like one or two more

left handed hitters—the only ones in the present list are Hartzell and Wolter—but he has weighed everything carefully and has decided to let it go as it stands until the test comes on a regular major league diamond.

Thorpe Star Performer For Giants' Regulars

Indian Gets Three Hits and Covers First Base in Faultless Style.

MARLIN, Tex., March 20.

THAT JIM THORPE, the Indian recruit of the Giants, is fast learning to play baseball like Manager McGraw thinks it should be played was evidenced by his work in the game at Waco, which the big leaguers won from the Texas Leaguers by a score of 13 to 1. Not only did Thorpe get three hits, which included a triple and two singles, but he covered first in faultless style, accepting eight chances without an error. He also showed great improvement in running the bases.

Wittke was in the box for the first five innings and was in good form. He was hit for four hits, one run being made off him. This was in the eighth inning, when with one out McMahon hit to left for two bases and scored on Wolter's single over Fletcher's head. That was the locals' only run.

Crandall was hit for five hits during four innings on the mound. "Doc" showed up better than at any previous time, hitting and pitching. Spalding's report was given their pitcher by the Giants. The only error charged against them was a high throw by Herzog of the game.

The New Yorks made many flashy fielding plays, snodgrams and Fletcher's excellent.

While the regulars were away the

CANADA'S RACING DATES.

HAMILTON, Ont., March 20.—The all-around for the Canadian Racing Association circuit for 1913, made public last night, is as follows: Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, May 24 to May 31; Montreal, June 4 to 11; Ottawa, June 16 to June 21; Hamilton, June 25 to July 2; Port Erie, July 4 to July 11; Windsor, July 16 to 23; Hamilton, July 28 to Aug. 3; Port Erie, Aug. 10 to 17; Windsor, Aug. 18 to 25; Ottawa, Aug. 27 to Sept. 3; Montreal, Sept. 6 to 13; Toronto, Sept. 20 to 27.

Willie Lewis White Moroccan.

PARIS, March 20.—Willie Lewis, the American middleweight pugilist, was the decision on points from the French middleweight, Maurice Monest, the American throughout showed the best of the Frenchman and was pronounced winner by the judges.

Attell "Comes Back" With a Knockout Punch

Ex-Champion Ollie Kirk in Third Round at Forty-Fourth Street Club.

BY JOHN POLLOCK.

ATTLE, the ex-featherweight champion, is a real comeback. He conclusively demonstrated this fact at the Forty-fourth Street Sporting Club show by beating Ollie Kirk, the featherweight of St. Louis, so badly that the referee was compelled to stop the bout in the third round to save the latter from being completely knocked out.

Before the contest the referee was halted by the on-lookers who were shouting that Kirk was a "comeback" and that he was a "real champion." The referee was halted by the on-lookers who were shouting that Kirk was a "comeback" and that he was a "real champion."

Attell was scored twice, the first time from a short left swing on the jaw, followed by a heavy right to the chin. He got up quickly, and Attell, seeing that he had his man down, nailed him with a heavy right. Kirk dropped to the floor with a thud. He was so groggy that he waited until the referee had counted ten.

When Kirk got to his feet he staggered across the ring, with Attell following him and showering left and right swings to his head and jaw. By this time Kirk was hopeless, and the referee, seeing he had no chance to win, stopped the contest.

The crowd then gave Attell a great ovation for his successful comeback. Up to the time that Attell sent Kirk to the floor the latter outpointed Attell.

In the other two ten-round bouts Louisiana beat Frank Conroy and Special Delivery Hirsch shaded Willie Jones.

Charley White, the well known arbitrator, will make his first public appearance as a referee in the contest between Attell and Kirk.

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Byrne May Never Play Ball Again

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 19.—Bobby Byrne, third baseman for the Pittsburgh Nationals, was struck on the head by a ball pitched by "Smoky" Joe Wood and knocked unconscious. His condition is regarded as serious. Physicians state it may be several days before they can determine whether he will play ball again. Byrne was at the bat in the second exhibition game between Pittsburgh and the world's champions when he was hit. The ball struck him high on the head and glanced over the stand behind. He was hurried to a hospital and later removed to a hotel. Boston won the game by 7 runs to 2.

LOS ANGELES, March 20.—"Bub" Marquand, one of the star pitchers of the New York Nationals last year is now on his way to Houston, Tex., where he will join the team. He is accompanied by his wife, formerly Blomberg's sister, the actress who played the role of the girl with the diamonds in the film "The Girl in the Red Velvet Robe."

15-MILE "PRO" RUNNERS AT MONUMENT GAMES.

The fifteen-mile world's professional championship foot race will be run at the Monument Club games in Celtic Park, Long Island, Sunday, May 4 at 2:30 P. M. The entries in the race to date are: Billy Quail, Billy Kohlman, world's champion; Tom Longboat, the Indian; Harvey Cohn and Al Haines. George Bothner will defend his wrestling title against the best man that can be secured to meet him. There will be a championship game of Gaelic football between two of the big teams and, in addition, the American championships at Irish hornpipe, Irish reel and Irish jig dancing will be contested for on a platform in the centre of the park during the games. Solid gold watches will be given to the winners and gold-filled and silver watches to the second and third in each of the dancing contests.

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